

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1-35. (Cancelled)

36. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:
during compaction of a circuit layout determining at a computer device a first direction associated with the circuit layout;
selecting at the computer device a [[first]] portion of a first transistor in response to determining the first portion extends outward in the first direction from a first logical device of the circuit layout, the first logical device comprising the first transistor;
in response to selecting the [[first]] portion of the first transistor, reshaping at the computer device the first transistor to reduce a size of the first logical device in the first direction;
reshaping at the computer device a ~~second~~ portion of the first logical device in response to reducing the size of the first logical device;
determining at the computer device a second direction associated with the circuit layout, the second direction different from the first direction;
selecting at the computer device a [[third]] portion of a second transistor of the circuit layout in response to determining the [[third]] portion of the second transistor extends outward in the second direction from a second logical device of the circuit layout, the second logical device comprising the second transistor;
in response to selecting the third portion, reshaping at the computer device the [[third]] portion of the second transistor to reduce a size of the second logical device in the second direction;
reshaping at the computer device a [[fourth]] portion of the second logical device in response to reducing the size of the second logical device.

37. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 36, wherein the [[first]] portion of the first transistor comprises a first transistor finger.

38. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 37, wherein the [[second]] portion of the first logical device comprises a second transistor finger of the first transistor.

39. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 37, wherein the [[second portion]] of the first logical device comprises a transistor finger of a second transistor.

40. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 37, wherein reshaping the [[first]] portion of the first transistor comprises reducing a size of the first transistor finger.

41. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 37, wherein reshaping the [[first]] portion comprises removing the first transistor finger.

42. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 36, wherein reshaping the [[first]] portion of the first transistor comprises rotating the first transistor.

43. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 36, further comprising reshaping a ~~third~~the portion of the first logical device in response to reducing the size of the ~~first transistor~~ portion of the first transistor.

44. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 36, further comprising:
storing a first state associated with the circuit layout at the computer device in response to
selecting the [[first]] portion of the first transistor;
in response to reshaping the [[first]] portion of the first transistor, determining if a size of
the circuit layout has been reduced; and
in response to determining the size of the circuit layout has not been reduced, restoring
the circuit layout to the first state.

45. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 44, wherein determining if the size of the circuit layout has been reduced comprises determining if the size of the circuit layout has been reduced in the first direction.

46. (Cancelled)

47- 70. (Cancelled)

71. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 44, wherein the ~~[[third]]~~ portion of the second transistor comprises a first transistor finger.

72. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 71, wherein the ~~fourth~~ portion of the second logical device comprises a second transistor finger of the second transistor.

73. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 71, wherein the ~~fourth~~ portion of the second logical device comprises a transistor finger of a third transistor.

74. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 71, wherein reshaping the ~~[[third]]~~ portion of the second transistor comprises reducing a size of the ~~first~~second transistor finger.

75. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 71, wherein reshaping the ~~[[third]]~~ portion of the second transistor comprises removing the first transistor finger.

76. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 71, wherein reshaping the ~~[[third]]~~ portion of the second transistor comprises rotating the ~~[[first]]~~second transistor.

77. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 47, wherein the ~~[[third]]~~ portion of the second transistor comprises a first transistor finger.

78. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 77, wherein reshaping the ~~[[third]]~~ portion of the second transistor comprises reducing a size of the first transistor finger.

79. (Previously presented) A method comprising:
during compaction of a circuit layout, determining at a computer device a first direction
associated with the circuit layout;
selecting at the computer device a first portion of a first transistor in response to
determining the first portion extends outward in the first direction from a first
logical device of the circuit layout, the first logical device comprising the first
transistor;
in response to selecting the first portion, reshaping at the computer device the first
transistor to reduce a size of the first logical device in the first direction;
reshaping at the computer device a second portion of the first logical device in response
to reducing the size of the first logical device.